

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:  
Hiroatsu TOI, et al.

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Examiner: Jyoti NAGPAUL

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For: **CONTROL DEVICE FOR AUTOMATIC  
LIQUID HANDLING SYSTEM**

**AMENDMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the non-final **Office Action** mailed August 13, 2007 ("Office Action"), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.

**Amendments** to the Claims begin on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 13.

Applicants believe that no extensions of time are required at this time. However, if extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fees required therefore to properly maintain this application as pending (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to (or overcharges remitted to) our Deposit Account No. 23-1951.